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COLONIZATION OF PERSONS OF AFRICAN DESCENT.

LETTER

FROM

THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY

IN ANSWER TO

A resolution of the House of March 23, 1870, transmitting a detailed statement of expenditures out of the appropriation contained in the eleventh section of chapter 54 of Statutes of 1862, and the present condition of any unexpended balances of such appropriations.

MARCH 28, 1870.—Referred to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, *March 26, 1870.*

SIR: I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of a resolution of the House of Representatives of the 23d instant, passed on the motion of Mr. Dawes, in the following words:

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Treasury be directed to report to this House a detailed statement of expenditures out of the appropriation of one hundred thousand dollars contained in the eleventh section of chapter 54 of Statutes of 1862, approved April 16, 1862, and the present condition of any unexpended balances of such appropriation.

In reply I transmit herewith a letter from the Register of the Treasury, with the detailed statement called for.

It will be seen, however, by the inclosed copy of a letter from the First Auditor of the Treasury to the Secretary of the Interior, dated November 15, 1869, that an account rendered by Mr. Pomeroy of his disbursements was returned to the Secretary of the Interior for his approval.

This Department is not advised that any action has been taken on the Auditor's letter.

Very respectfully,

GEO. S. BOUTWELL,
Secretary.

Hon. J. G. BLAINE,
Speaker House of Representatives.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,
First Auditor's Office, November 15, 1869.

SIR: I respectfully return the account of honorable S. C. Pomeroy, acting as agent for the colonization of persons of African descent beyond

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the limits of the United States, that it may receive the approval of the Secretary.

There is no evidence whatever filed with the account that the terms of the contract with A. W. Thompson, or his instructions to Mr. Pomeroy in fulfillment of the objects of the appropriation made by Congress, have been complied with. If such evidence has been furnished it should be filed in the Department of the Interior, having the whole subject under its control, as indicated by the tenor of the contract with Thompson and the instructions to Pomeroy.

The duties of the accounting officers of the treasury in connection with this account, are simply to give Mr. Pomeroy credit for such expenditures made by him as shall receive the administrative approval of the Secretary of the Interior. Mr. Pomeroy is charged on the books of the Register of the Treasury with the sum of \$25,000, advanced to him in the month of September, 1862.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

T. L. SMITH,
Auditor.

Hon. J. D. Cox,
Secretary of the Interior.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,
Register's Office, March 25, 1870.

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith a "statement of expenditures from the appropriation of one hundred thousand dollars contained in 11th section of act of April 16, 1862," furnished in compliance with resolution of the House of Representatives of the 23d instant, referred to this office.

The resolution is herewith returned.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

JOHN ALLISON,
Register.

Hon. GEORGE S. BOUTWELL,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Statement of expenditures from the appropriation of \$100,000 contained in the eleventh section of chapter 54 of Statutes of 1862, approved April 16, 1862.

1862.	June 11, to James Mitchell, colonization agent.....	\$100 00
	July 16.....do.....	100 00
	August 20.....do.....	250 00
	September 16.....do.....	200 00
	October 31.....do.....	125 00
	December 2.....do.....	100 00
	December 30.....do.....	150 00
1863.	January 30.....do.....	150 00
	February 27.....do.....	150 00
	March 27.....do.....	150 00
	May 1.....do.....	150 00
	May 28.....do.....	150 00
	June 30.....do.....	150 00
	July 31.....do.....	150 00
	August 31.....do.....	150 00
	September 29.....do.....	150 90
	November 3.....do.....	150 00
	December 2.....do.....	150 00
	December 23.....do.....	150 00
1864.	February 10.....do.....	13 46

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1862. September 16, to S. C. Pomeroy, colonization agent.....	\$5,000 00	
September 23.....do.....	20,000 00	\$25,000 00
1862. October 17, to P. Lammond, disbursing clerk.....	1,000 00	
1863. April 25.....do.....	500 00	
1864. March 23.....do.....	1,000 00	
May 2.....do.....	1,740 59	
May 26.....do.....	1,000 00	5,240 59
1863. May 23, to American Colonization Society.....	95 00	
October 92.....do.....	285 00	380 00
1863. October 19, to D. C. Donahue, colonization agent.....	300 00	
1864. March 2.....do.....	750 00	
March 30.....do.....	203 10	
March 30.....do.....	877 05	2,130 15
1863. November 7, to W. McLean, financial secretary American Colonization Society.....		25,000 00
1864. February 20, to Cronin, Hurxthal & Sears.....		900 00
March 2, to Hurxthal & Barnum.....		1,786 33
April 9, to J. J. Lewis, Commissioner Internal Revenue.....		57 62
May 21, to Wilson & Camman.....		734 80
May 23, to Burnet, Drake & Co.....		144 20
		64,212 15
From which deduct the following repayments:		
1864. January 21, by W. McLain.....	25,000 00	
1865. May 27, by P. Lammond.....	882 22	25,882 22
Net amount of expenditures.....		*38,329 93
Unexpended balance carried to the surplus fund June 30, 1865.....		61,670 07
Total amount appropriated.....		100,000 00

JOHN ALLISON,
*Register.*TREASURY DEPARTMENT,
Register's Office, March 25, 1870.

* The above amount of expenditures (\$38,329 93) has all been expended and accounted for by the several disbursing officers, with the exception of \$25,000 advanced to S. C. Pomeroy, which amount still remains to his debit unaccounted for.